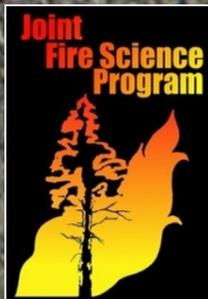


Singular and interactive effects of blowdown, salvage logging, and wildfire near the Gunflint Corridor, SNF

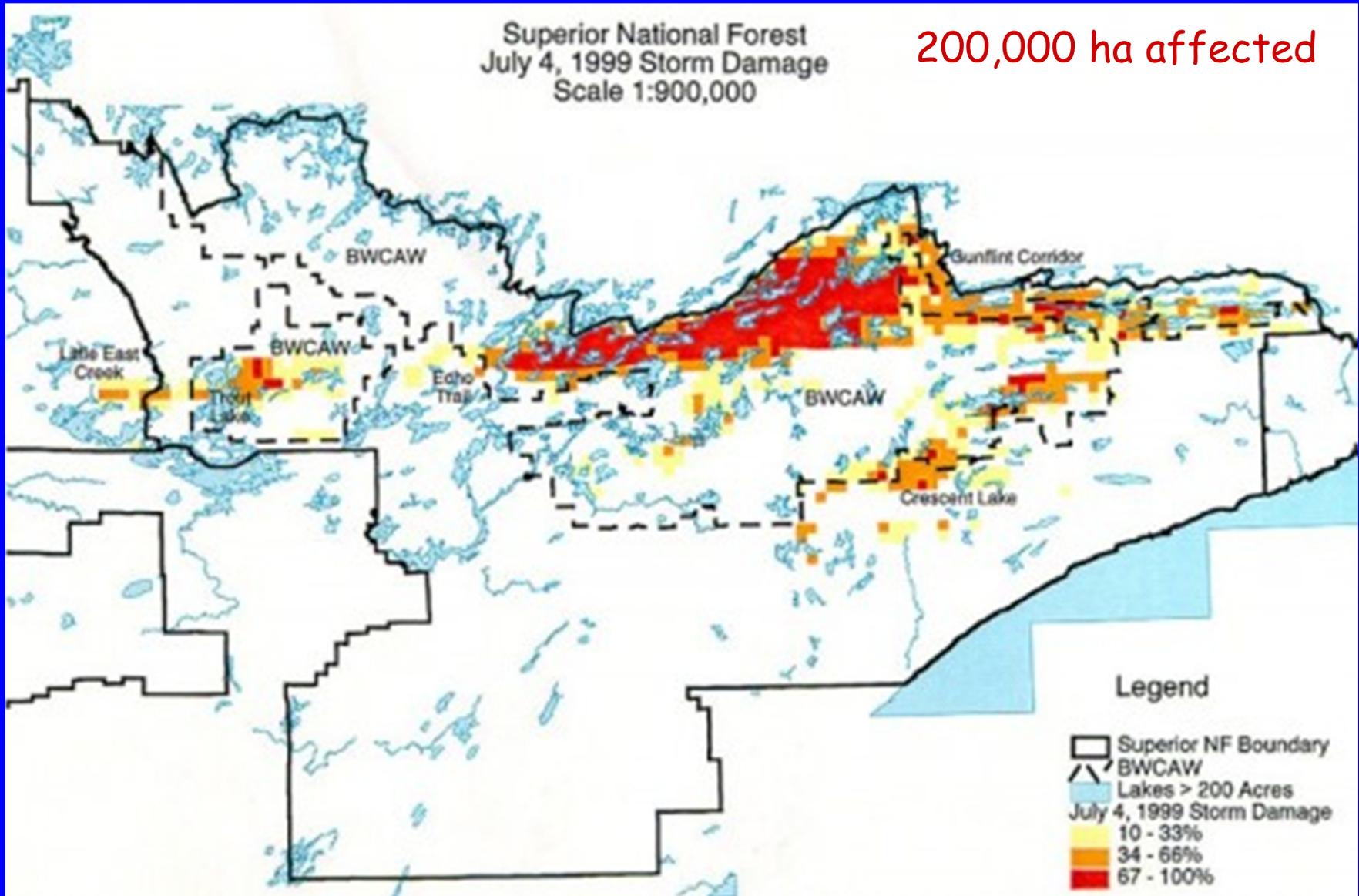


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Blowdown (July 4th 1999)

Superior National Forest
July 4, 1999 Storm Damage
Scale 1:900,000

200,000 ha affected



Salvage Logging (1999-02)



Ham Lake Fire (May 2007)

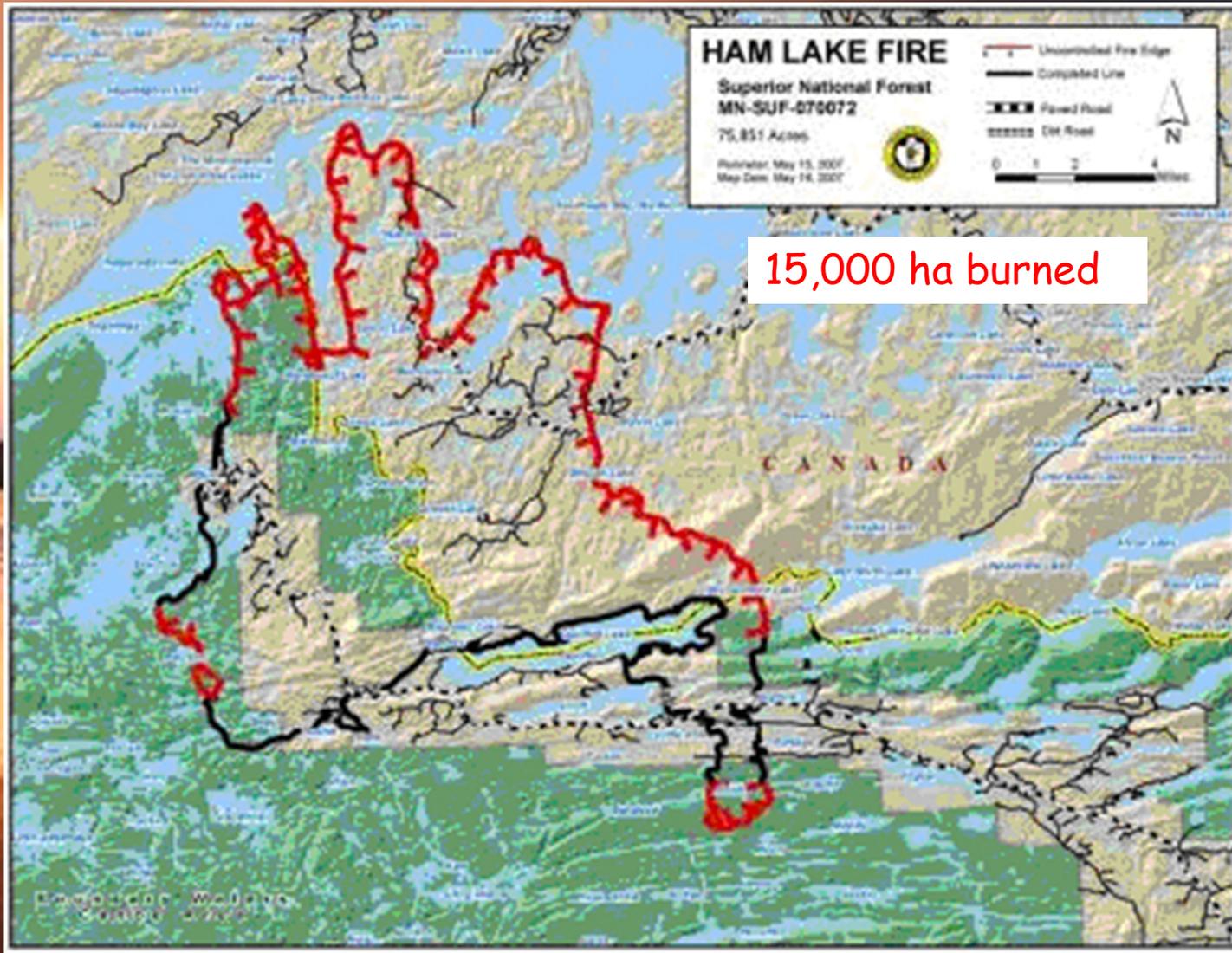


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"Treatment" Combinations

6 study sites per treatment; All jack pine dominated

Treatment	Blowdown 1999	Salvage Logging	Wildfire 2007
BSF	YES	YES	YES
BF	YES	NO	YES
F	NO	NO	YES
B	YES	NO	NO
CONTROL	NO	NO	NO

Blowdown



Fire



Blowdown + Fire



Research Questions

- How did these disturbance combinations influence
 - Tree regeneration?
 - Current fuel loads?
- Do tradeoffs exist between fuel reduction and 'legacy' retention?

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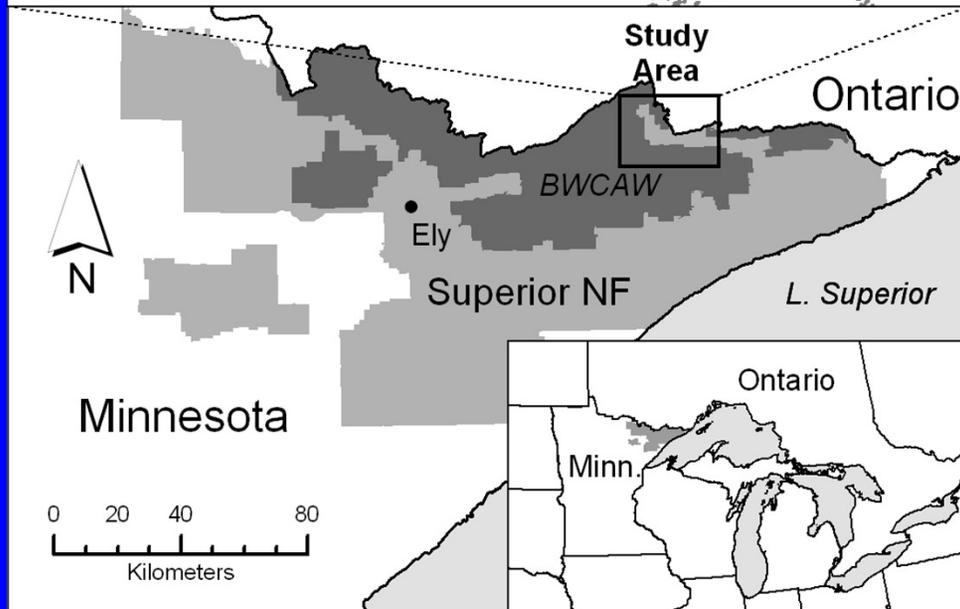
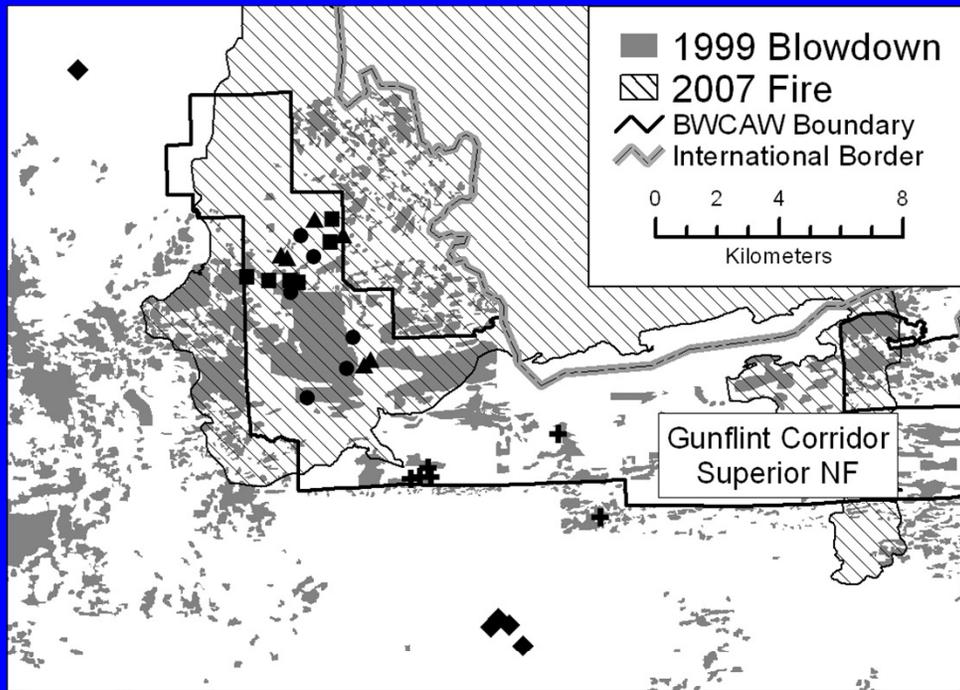
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SALVAGE LOGGING AND ITS ECOLOGICAL CONSEQUENCES

Why Salvage? Fire risk, Fire Spread, Fire Intensity





Study Sites

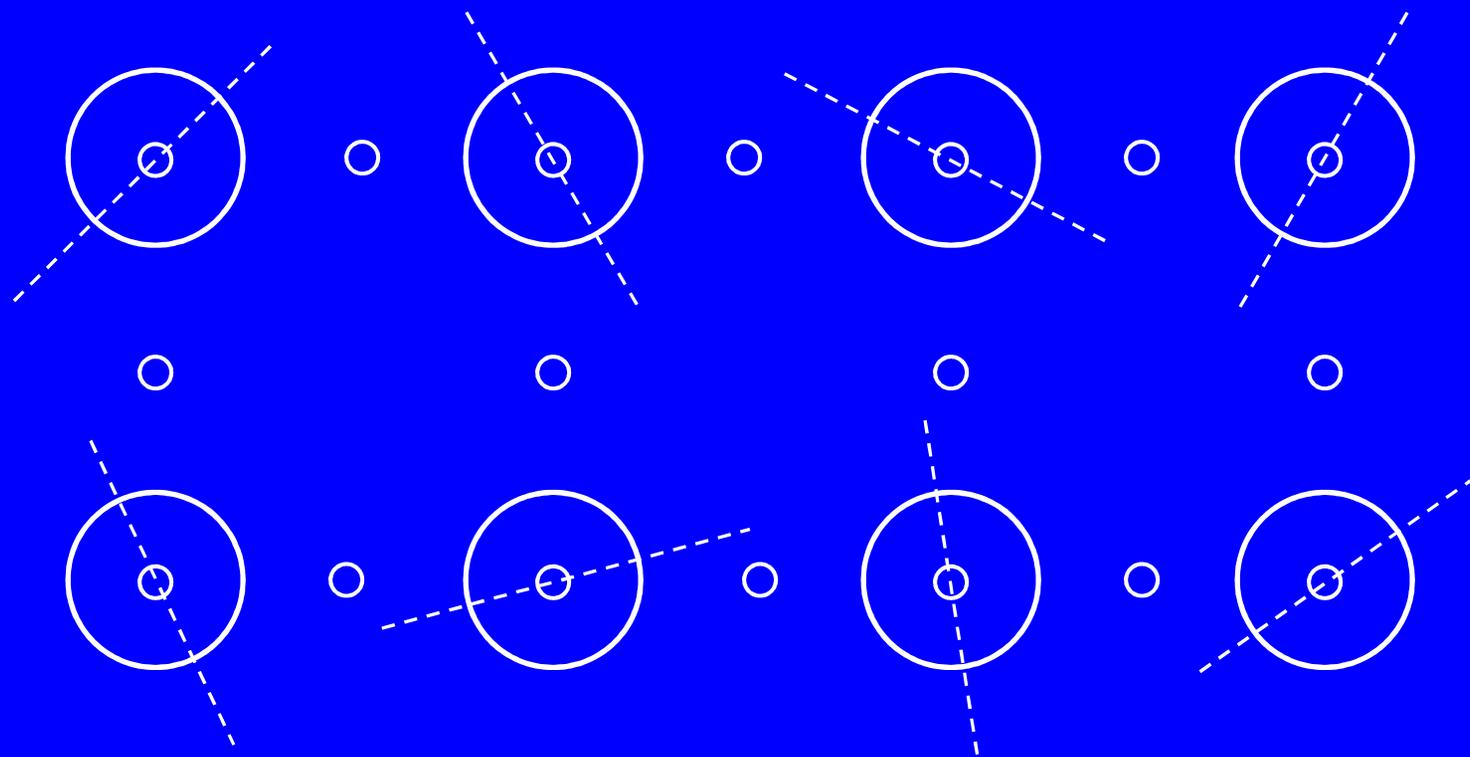
(six in each combination)

- Blowdown-Salvage-Fire
- Blowdown-Fire
- ▲ Fire
- ✚ Blowdown
- ◆ Control

All Jack Pine Dominated

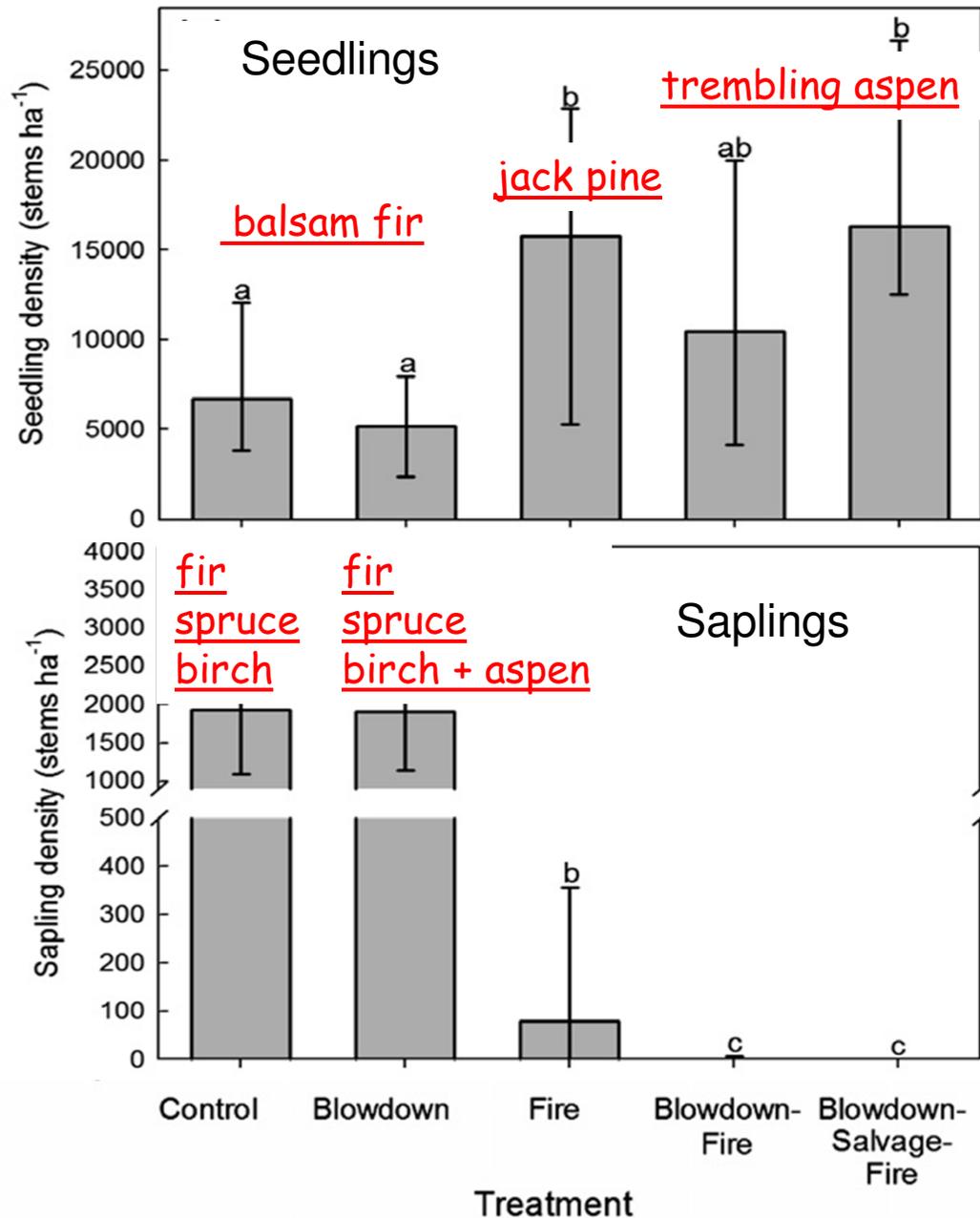
Plot Arrangement (at each site)

200 m² & 10 m² plots

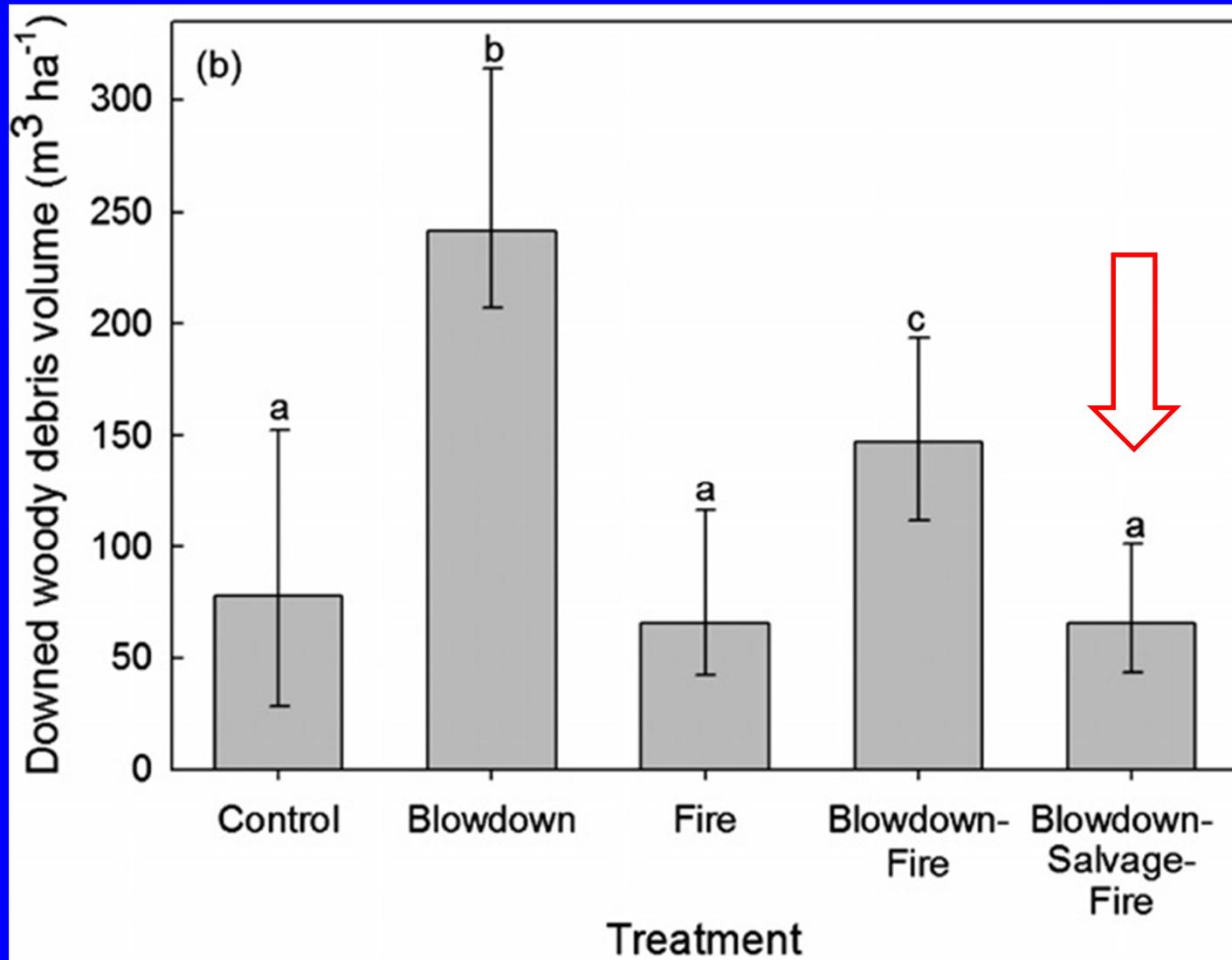




Results: Tree regeneration



Results: Coarse woody debris (= coarse fuels)



Potential tradeoff regarding fuels:

Legacy retention

versus

Fuel reduction

Retain legacies of disturbance?



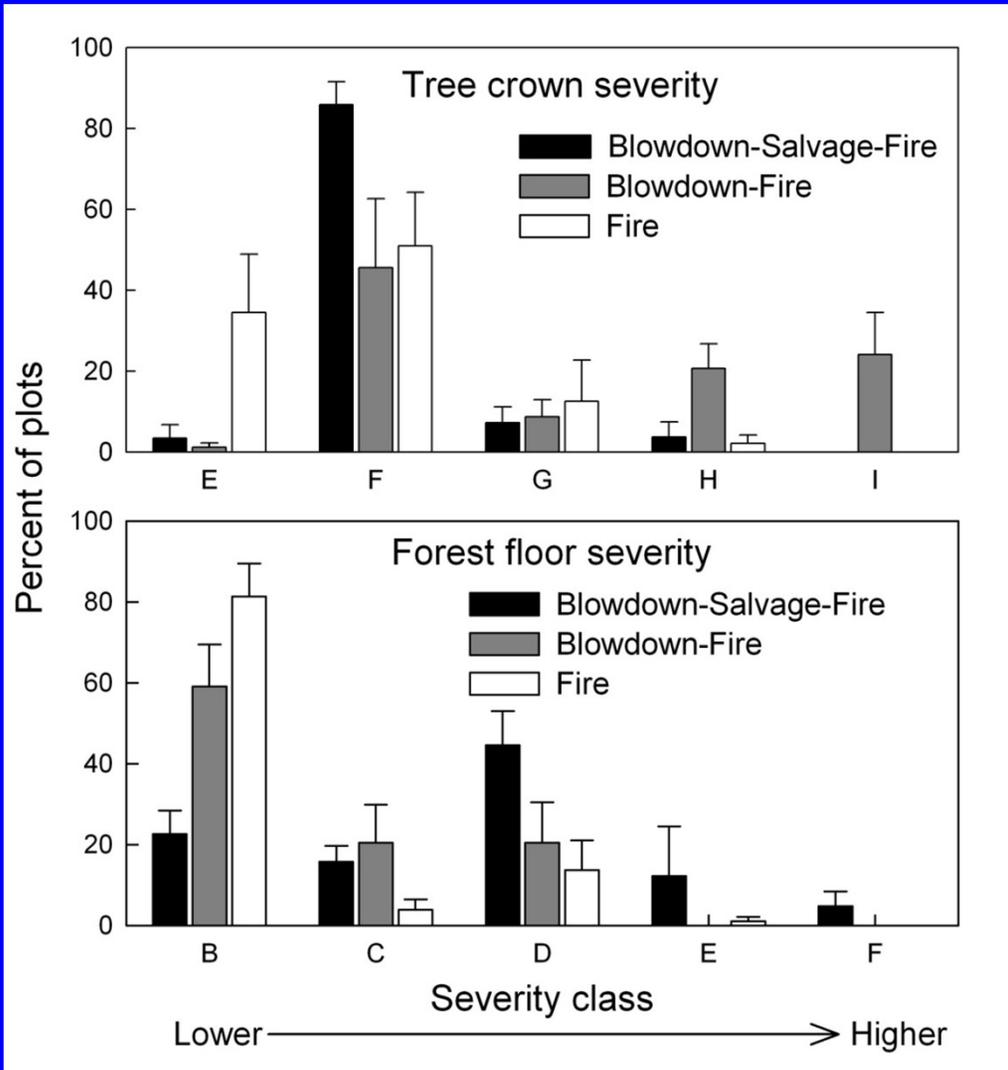
Reduce fuel loads?



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Fire Severity

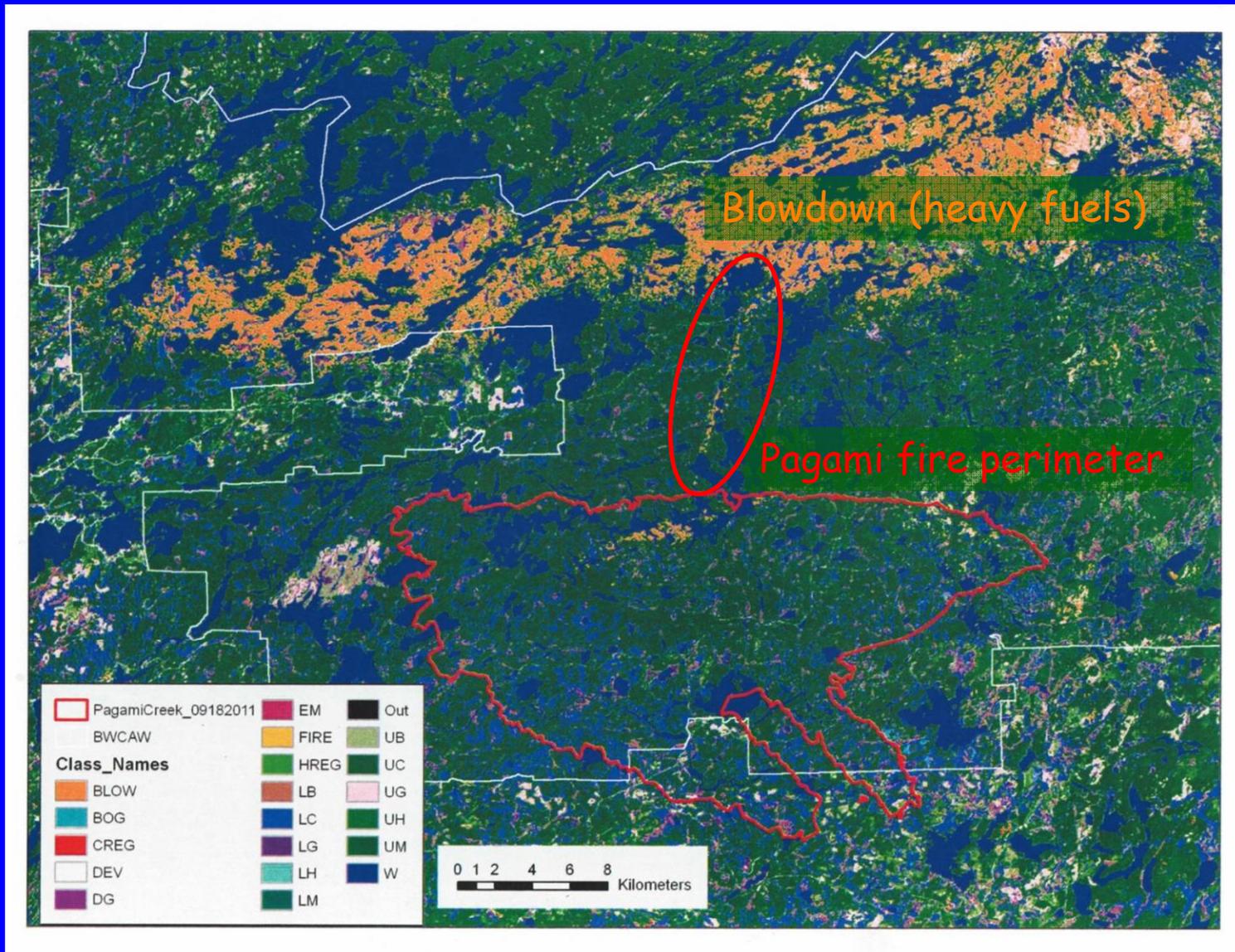


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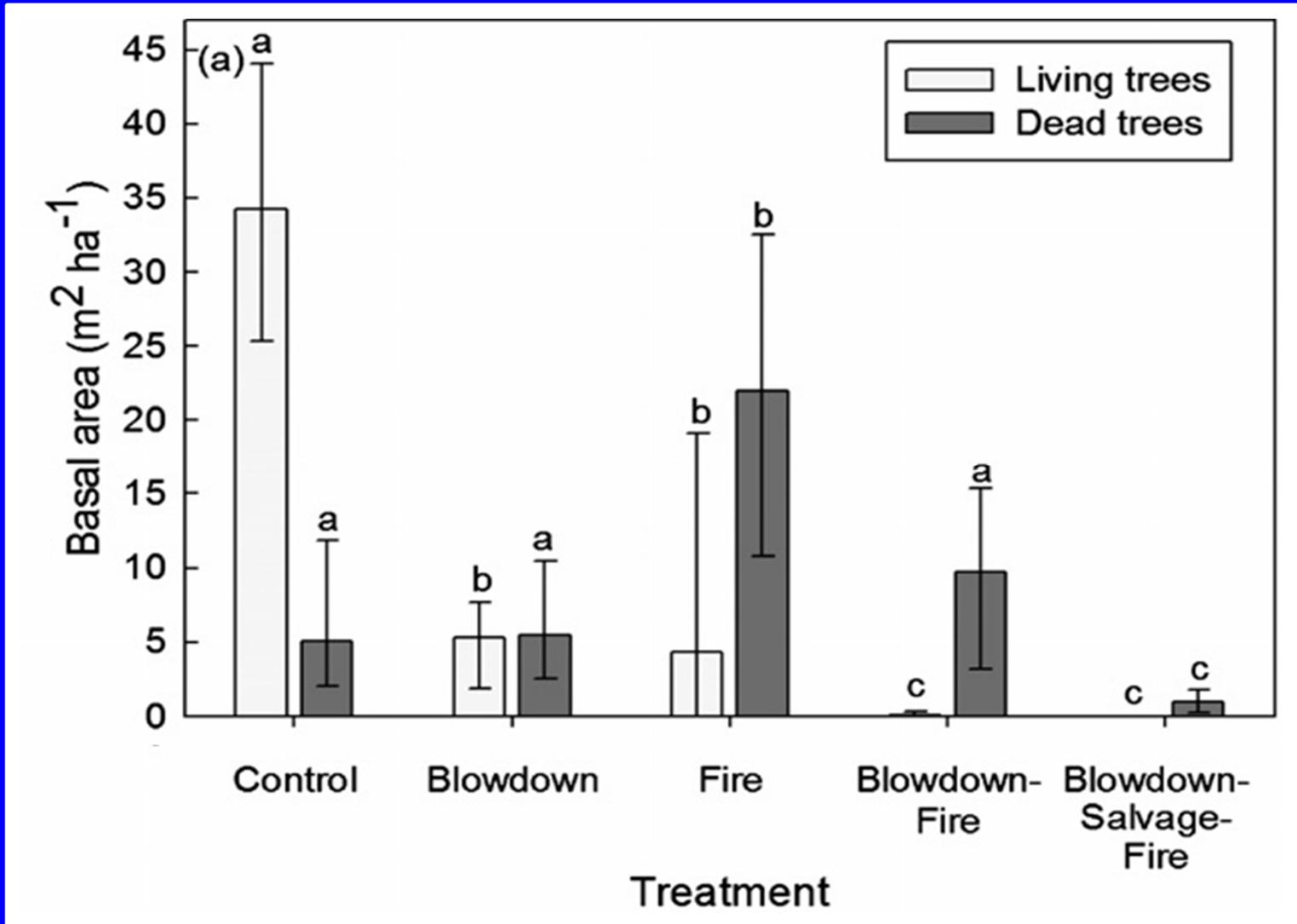
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Pagami Creek Fire - fuels corridor



Results: Tree Basal Areas



Results: Ordination

